

First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem
Digital Good Friday Tenebrae Service
April 2, 2021



WE GATHER

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

THE SERVICE OF SHADOWS

THE SHADOW OF AGONY OF THE SPIRIT

Mark 14:32-50

Kim Miner

Extinguish First Candle

HYMN

#97

Go to Dark Gethsemane

Verses 1 & 2

REDHEAD

1 Go to dark Gethsemane,
All that feel the tempter's power;
Your Redeemer's conflict see,
Watch with Him one bitter hour;
Turn not from His griefs away,
Learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

2 Follow to the judgment hall;
View the Lord of Life arraigned;
O the wormwood and the gall!
O the pangs His soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss;
Learn from Christ to bear the cross.

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOWN OF ACCUSATION

Mark 14: 53-65

Rich Hooper

Extinguish Second Candle

SPECIAL MUSIC "Hear Ye, Israel", from Elijah, Op. 70

Felix Mendelssohn

Hannah Steele, Soprano

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF DENIAL

Mark 14: 66-72

Rev. Sue Bennetch

Extinguish Third Candle

HYMN

#100

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Verses 1 & 2

ROCKINGHAM

1 When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF CONDEMNATION

Mark 15: 1-20

Kim Miner

Extinguish Fourth Candle

SPECIAL MUSIC "Pie Jesu" from Requiem Op. 48

Gabriel Faure

Rebecca Ripley, Soprano

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF CRUCIFIXION

Mark 15: 21-32

Rich Hooper

Extinguish Fifth Candle

HYMN

#98

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

PASSION CHORALE

1 O sacred head, now wounded,
With grief and shame weighed down;
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns, Thine only crown;
O sacred Head, what glory,
What bliss till now was Thine!
Yet, though despised and gory,
I joy to call Thee mine.

2 What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered
Was all for sinners' gain:
Mine, mine was the transgression,
But Thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior!
'Tis I deserve Thy place;
Look on me with Thy favor,
Vouchsafe to me Thy grace.

3 What language shall I borrow
To thank Thee, dearest friend,
For this Thy dying sorrow,
Thy pity without end?
O make me Thine forever;
And should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never
Outlive my love to Thee.

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF DEATH

Mark 15: 33-41

Rev. Lindsey Altvater Clifton

Extinguish Sixth Candle

SPECIAL MUSIC "Were You There" (excerpt), from 10 Hymn Tunes

Leo Sowerby

SILENT REFLECTION

THE SHADOW OF BURIAL

Mark 15: 42-47

Rev. J.C. Austin

SOLEMN REPROACHES FROM THE CROSS

Extinguish Christ Candle

SENDING HYMN

#102

Were You There?

WERE YOU THERE

1 Were you there when they crucified my Lord?(Were you there?)

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Were you there?)

2 Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? (Were you there?)

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? (Were you there?)

3 Were you there when they pierced Him in the side? (Were you there?)

Were you there when they pierced Him in the side?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they pierced Him in the side? (Were you there?)

4 Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? (Were you there?)

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? (Were you there?)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE (Silence)